SHARK!!
OVER HERE!
MONSTRO'S WHALE BAR
ORCAS ONLY
ARRaaaaH!
THIS WAY!
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This is getting us nowhere. Alice must be moving around too much for the book to pinpoint her.
Not only have we wasted the morning, we missed the meeting with Riley.
OUT OF THE WAY BLITZ, I CAN'T SEE THE MAP.
COME ON BOOK, TRY AGAIN. WHERE DO WE NEED TO GO?
CASTLE FANDANGO?! YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME.
What's so bad about the castle? Is it that hard to get in?
TRUST ME, THE LAST THING WE WANT IS FOR KING FANDANGO TO GET INVOLVED. LET'S JUST FIND RILEY AND THEN-
AUUGGHH!
RILEY?!
ARAAAAAAH!

EEEEEEEEEEEEE-BSTCH!
SPLASH!
GRRRRR
Why Grandma, what big fists you have...
YIEEP!
YOU ENJOY PICKING ON SHARK MEN, DO YOU? LET'S SEE HOW YOU LIKE PLAYING WITH OLDER BROTHER.

Tuff! What's going-
RAAUHH!
RUBBER WALL!
BLOOMPH!

WHILE IT'S GOOD TO SEE THE PEOPLE OF QUILLOTIA RISE TO ITS DEFENSE SO READILY...
I THINK IT'S TIME JINGERPAN AND I TOOK OVER.
DON'T FEAR, THESE SHARK-MEN WILL BE BROUGHT TO COURT AND PUNISHED ACCORDING TO THEIR CRIMES.
AS ORCAS, IT IS USUALLY OUR TASK TO DEAL WITH SHARK-MEN.
OH BUT THESE BOYS ARE A SPECIAL CASE. TRUST ME, WE GO WAAAY BACK.
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THEM.
WE DON'T CARE! WE HAVE A RIGHT TO THEIR SHARK-MAN BLOOD!
ORVO, SPEAK WITH RESPECT!
FORGET IT! I HAVE NO RESPECT FOR THIS MEDDLING OLD MAN!
TRUST ME BOY, IT'S THE MEDDLING OLD MEN YOU NEED TO WATCH OUT FOR.

TSAAH!
YOU JUST HAD TO CALL HIM 'OLD'.
YES, THAT'S MUCH BETTER. NOW, WHO ELSE WANTS TO BE EATEN – I MEAN ARRESTED?

HA! THAT ONE WILL THINK TWICE BEFORE SASSING ME AGAIN!
PERHAPS YOUR JOB WOULD BE EASIER IF YOU KEPT YOUR TRUE FORM ALL THE TIME.
EIGHT YEARS MISSING, AND THAT'S ALL YOU HAVE TO SAY TO OLD KROFTY?
Don't be like that. Even if you are here to arrest us, it's good to see you again.
I'LL SAY. I DIDN'T EVEN RECOGNIZE YOU TWO WITHOUT THE PIMPLES-
RAWR!
RAAAHR!
snort
Well said, Blitz. What's going on here?!
I'M NOT SURE IT'S ANY OF YOUR BUSINESS LITTLE MORSEL.
You won't scare me like you did the orcas. I've faced scarier things than you.
Are you really going to arrest the Luck brothers?
OF COURSE. THEY ARE WANTED MEN.
Why?! Aren't you their friend?
OF COURSE I AM THEIR FRIEND. BUT I AM A GUARD OF THE CITY AND A LOYAL FRIEND OF THE KING. HE IS THE ONE THE BROTHERS HAVE WRONGED.
AND HE IS THE ONE WHO I WILL BRING THEM TO.

Well, regardless of who Tuff and Riley have managed to offend, we're not going to abandon them. Blitz and I are coming too.
NO! NO, THAT REALLY WON'T BE NECESSARY! RILEY AND I CAN HANDLE THIS!
Tuff, the king of Quilliotia is mad at you. I think you need all the help you can get.
YES, BUT-
And don't forget, the book wants us to go to the castle. This is our chance for all of us to get in!
Okay then, any time you're ready to go Mr. Dragon!
The gang is sticking together!
WHAT ABOUT MY NEW RAVENOUS FRIEND OVER HERE?
NOM NOM NOM
I'm not sure. This behavior is odd, even for him.
I don't see what choice we have but to let this play out. This is Mike! we're talking about, how bad could he be?
DON'T SAY THAT. IT'S TOO EMBARRASSING TO EVEN CONTEMPLATE.

IS EVERYONE SECURED?
As secure as you can get on a dragon's back.
OOF! IF YOU MAKE THOSE ROPES ANY TIGHTER I WON'T BE ABLE TO BREATHE!
OKAY KIDS, HOLD ON TIGHT!
WHOOOSH!
THMP THUMP!

So your human body is fake? Like a doll?
NOT AT ALL. MY HUMAN BODY IS AS REAL AND AUTHENTIC AS YOUR OWN. IT IS SIMPLY AN ALTERNATE FORM I CAN ACCESS USING MY NECK-LACE. ALL DRAGONS HAVE SUCH A TRINKET, IN ONE SHAPE OR ANOTHER.
IT IS STARTLING TO SEE IT THE FIRST TIME. I HOPE I DIDN'T SCARE YOUR FRIEND TOO BADLY.
HA HA HA HA HA!
I think he's forgiven you.
THEN HEADS UP! WE'RE COMING IN SIGHT OF THE CASTLE!
Whoa...